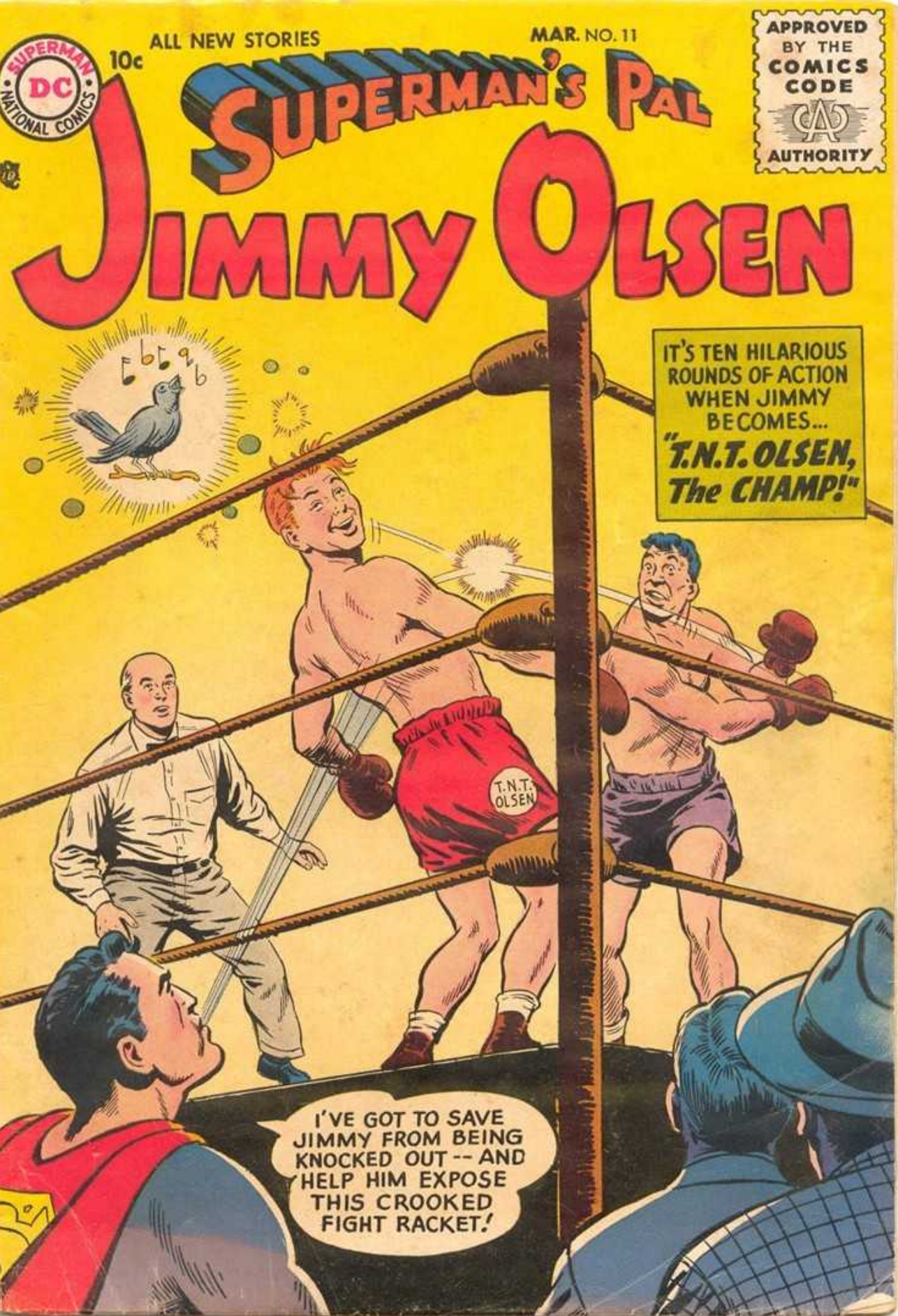
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T.N.T. OLSEN
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LEAD ME TO THOSE CROOKS, JIMMY!
AS SUPERMAN'S BEST FRIEND, YOUNG JIMMY OLSEN HAS PLAYED MANY EXCITING ROLES... BUT NONE SO AMAZING AS THE DAY HE GAINS X-RAY VISION-- AND SUPERMAN LOSES HIS! INDEED, IT TURNS OUT TO BE A "DOG'S LIFE" IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE, WHEN THE CUB REPORTER BECOMES...
AH-- I SEE THEIR HIDEOUT THROUGH THAT ROOF! SMASH YOUR WAY IN, SUPERMAN!
SUPERMAN'S SEEING-EYE DOG

ONE EVENING, AS JIMMY OLSEN PROUDLY SURVEYS HIS EVER-GROWING COLLECTION OF SUPERMAN SOUVENIRS...
REALLY? HOW'D YOU COME UPON IT, SUPERMAN?
HERE'S ANOTHER SOUVENIR, JIMMY... A METEORIC DUST THAT RADIATES X-RAYS!
"WELL, EARLIER TODAY, I DETECTED AN IRON METEOR HURTLING TOWARD EARTH-- BUT WHEN I FLEW OUT AND TRIED TO MELT IT WITH THE HEAT OF MY X-RAY VISION, A STRANGE THING HAPPENED..!"
IT EXPLODED! BUT WHY?

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"THE METEOR'S DUST PROVIDED ME WITH THE STARTLING ANSWER..."
WHY-- IT RADIATES X-RAYS... AND APPARENTLY, THE METEOR'S X-RAY WAVELENGTH WAS SO DIFFERENT FROM MINE THAT WHEN THE TWO POWERFUL BEAMS MET, THEY CAUSED AN EXPLOSION!
AFTER SUPERMAN LEAVES...
NICE OF HIM TO COLLECT SOME X-RAY DUST FOR ME! I'LL PUT THE JAR UP HERE AND... OOPS! I TRIPPED!
SMASH!
SOME OF THAT STUFF GOT IN MY EYES-- IT STINGS A BIT! WELL, I'LL SWEEP UP THE DUST AND PUT IT IN ANOTHER JAR!
I'LL SEARCH AMONG MY EMPTY JARS FOR... HEY! I CAN SEE THEM WITHOUT OPENING THIS CABINET!... GOLLY... C-COULD I HAVE SUDDENLY ACQUIRED X-RAY VISION?
UPON SWEEPING UP THE METEORIC DUST, JIMMY QUICKLY GUESSES THE ANSWER...
WHEN IT FLEW INTO MY EYES, THIS X-RAY DUST MUST HAVE SOMEHOW IMPARTED ITS QUALITIES TO MY OPTIC NERVES! SOON AS I'VE GATHERED UP THE STUFF, I'LL MAKE SOME MORE TESTS!
AND SURE ENOUGH, TO JIMMY'S DELIGHT...
AHA! SO THAT'S WHERE I LOST MY GOLD STICKPIN LAST YEAR! I CAN SEE THROUGH THE FLOOR OR ANYTHING ELSE! SUPER-DUPER... WILL I SURPRISE EVERYBODY TOMORROW!
BUT EN ROUTE TO WORK, THE FOLLOWING MORNING, JIMMY FINDS A MORE IMPORTANT USE FOR HIS ASTOUNDING NEW ABILITY...
I'LL USE MY X-RAY VISION TO DO BIG THINGS--JUST LIKE SUPERMAN! HMM... NOW WHY WOULD THAT ORDINARY ICE CREAM VENDOR BE CARRYING A CONCEALED GUN-- UNLESS HE'S UP TO SOMETHING DIRTY? HERE'S WHERE I EXPOSE HIM!
ICE CREAM

A CROOK, EH? PLANNING SOME ROBBERY, NO DOUBT! COME ALONG QUIETLY TO THE POLICE!
STOP! YOU--YOU RUINED EVERYTHING! ALL RIGHT, I'LL GO... BUT YOU'LL BE SORRY FOR THIS!
INDEED, WHEN THEY REACH THE POLICE STATION...
YOU LITTLE FOOL! THIS MAN HAPPENS TO BE SERGEANT CLANCY, WORKING ON AN UNDER-COVER JOB! GET OUT BEFORE WE ARREST YOU FOR OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE!
I--I EXPOSED A DETECTIVE, NOT A CRIMINAL!
BUT BY THE TIME HE ARRIVES AT THE DAILY PLANET OFFICE, JIMMY HAS ALREADY FORGOTTEN HIS DISASTROUS MISTAKE...
HA, HA--WATCH ME STARTLE LOIS LANE OUT OF HER WITS...
HI, LOIS! GOT CHANGE OF A DOLLAR? OH--I SEE YOU ONLY HAVE 87 CENTS IN YOUR HANDBAG!
HOW WOULD YOU KNOW BEFORE I EVEN LOOK, SMARTY?
GOODNESS--EXACTLY 87 CENTS! SOMEONE WOULD THINK YOU HAD X-RAY VISION!
I HAVE, LOIS--EXACTLY LIKE SUPERMAN! NOW I'LL TELL CLARK KENT WHAT HE'S CARRYING IN HIS POCKETS!
BUT CLARK KENT, WHO IS SECRETLY SUPERMAN, BEATS A HASTY RETREAT...
ER, SORRY, JIMMY... GOT A RUSH INTERVIEW TO MAKE!
IF JIMMY SAW MY SUPERMAN COSTUME UNDERNEATH MY REGULAR SUIT, THE CAT WOULD BE OUT OF THE BAG!
IN SECLUSION, CLARK SWITCHES GARB, WORRIED ABOUT MORE THAN MERELY KEEPING HIS DOUBLE IDENTITY SECRET...
X-RAYS CAN BE DANGEROUS, IF NOT PROPERLY CONTROLLED! I'LL GET BACK TO THE OFFICE QUICKLY, AFTER I CONSTRUCT SOMETHING THAT JIMMY WILL NEED DESPERATELY!
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MEANWHILE, JIMMY DOES NOT KNOW THAT TROUBLE LIES AHEAD, AS EDITOR PERRY WHITE GIVES HIM A RUSH ASSIGNMENT...
GET THIS FILM DEVELOPED RIGHT AWAY, JIMMY! OUR CAMERAMAN JUST GOT A FEATURE PICTURE OF A NEW JET PLANE BREAKING RECORDS... DON'T SPOIL IT!
EDITOR IN CHIEF
SHORTLY, IN THE DARKROOM...
I'LL BE A FEATURE STORY MYSELF WHEN I TELL THE CHIEF ABOUT MY X-RAY EYES! BUT-- GOLLY... WHY ARE THESE PRINTS ALL FOGGED? OH ≟ GULP≟ NOW I SEE...
WHEN JIMMY LAMELY EXPLAINS...
... AND SO, MY NEW SUPER-VISION RUINED THEM, CHIEF! I--I FORGOT THAT X-RAYS COULD PENETRATE THE CAMERA AND RUIN THE PHOTOGRAPHIC FILM!
OH, NO! MY FEATURE KILLED! WELL-- IF YOU WRITE A GOOD STORY ABOUT YOUR X-RAY VISION, MAYBE I'LL FORGIVE YOU!
BUT ONCE AGAIN, TROUBLE BESETS THE BOY NEWSHAWK...
HELP! FIRE!
OMIGOSH! NOW MY X-RAYS SET THE PAPER ON FIRE! MY SUPER-VISION IS TURNING OUT TO BE A SUPER-HANDICAP!
AND SUPERMAN ARRIVES IN THE KNICK OF TIME...
ONE PUFF OF SUPER-BREATH SNUFFS OUT THE FIRE!
BUT... BUT MY X-RAY EYES ARE DANGEROUS-- AND I CAN'T SHUT THEM OFF! WILL I HAVE TO KEEP MY EYES CLOSED ALL DAY?
NO, JIMMY! I TINTED THESE GOGGLES WITH LEAD POWDER, WHICH WILL WEAKEN YOUR X-RAYS SAFELY!
THANKS, SUPERMAN... THAT ENDS THE TROUBLE!
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BOOM!
NO IT DOESN'T, JIMMY-- BECAUSE IF EVEN YOUR WEAKENED BEAMS EVER CLASHED WITH MINE, AN EXPLOSION WOULD RESULT-- LIKE WITH THAT METEOR! SO I--I CAN'T USE MY X-RAY VISION NOW!
GOLLY--THAT'S AWFUL, SUPERMAN... YOU NEED YOUR X-RAY VISION EVERY MOMENT OF THE DAY! YOU'D BETTER TAKE ME FAR AWAY... OR PUT ME IN A LEAD-LINED ROOM!
GOOD IDEA, JIMMY--THOUGH WE'D BETTER CHECK WITH AN EYE SPECIALIST FIRST!
BUT THE DOCTOR'S VERDICT ONLY COMPLICATES MATTERS...
ONCE STIMULATED, JIMMY'S OPTIC NERVES WILL RADIATE X-RAYS FOR SEVERAL DAYS... AND THE ONLY WAY TO GET THEM OUT OF HIS SYSTEM IS TO KEEP USING THOSE X-RAYS!
JEEPERS! IF I HAVE TO KEEP USING MY X-RAYS, THAT MEANS YOU CAN'T USE YOURS, WITHOUT RISKING AN EXPLOSION!
IT ALSO MEANS I MUST POSTPONE THIS ENTIRE LIST OF JOBS REQUIRING MY X-RAY VISION!
I FEEL SO RESTRICTED... IT--IT'S ALMOST LIKE BEING BLIND!
WAIT, SUPERMAN THAT BLIND MAN WITH HIS SEEING-EYE DOG GIVES ME A GREAT IDEA...
AND SOON, ASTONISHED PEOPLE IN THE CITY SEE A STRANGE SIGHT...
TILL I'M CURED, I CAN BE YOUR X-RAY SEEING-EYE DOG! AH-- THERE'S THE FIRST ITEM ON YOUR LIST... THAT BROKEN GAS MAIN!
I'LL NOTIFY THE REPAIR CREW OF ITS EXACT LOCATION! GOOD WORK, JIMMY!
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ALL OVER TOWN, "SEEING-EYE OLSEN" LEADS "X-RAY BLIND" SUPERMAN ON HIS TOUR OF DUTIES...
RIPPING OPEN THIS JAMMED VAULT WOULD RUIN THE EXPENSIVE TIME-LOCK-- SO COUNT THE MONEY FOR THEM, JIMMY! THAT WAY, THEY CAN TAKE THEIR TIME REPAIRING THE DAMAGE!
$50,000... $250,000... $1,000,000... I'LL HAVE THE TOTAL IN A JIFFY!
BUT JIMMY SEEMS TO MEET FAILURE AT A JEWEL SHOP...
I CAN'T FIND THAT DIAMOND THEY LOST! HMM... IT MUST BE HIDDEN BY SOMETHING THAT BLOCKS MY X-RAYS!
AH, I HAVE IT! THE DIAMOND ROLLED INTO THIS WASTEBASKET, AMONG THE FOLDS OF A CANDY-WRAPPING MADE OF LEAD FOIL, WHICH STOPPED MY X-RAYS!
ATTA BOY, JIMMY! YOU'RE THE SMARTEST "DOG" ANY "BLIND" MAN EVER HAD!
LATER, CHECKING ON A THEFT FROM METROPOLIS MUSEUM...
LAST NIGHT, BANDITS SOMEHOW STOLE A GOLD IDOL WEIGHING A TON! THEY MUST HAVE USED A TRUCK!
DON'T WORRY! IT'LL BE EASY TO LOCATE SUCH A BIG OBJECT, EVEN IF THEY MELTED THE GOLD DOWN INTO INGOTS! COME ON, JIMMY!
BUT AFTER A SUPER-SPEED SEARCH THROUGH THE CITY...
I USED X-RAY VISION EVERYWHERE... EVEN UNDERGROUND, IN CASE THEY BURIED THE GOLD IDOL! BUT NO SIGN OF IT!
YET THEY COULDN'T LEAVE THE CITY... NOT WITH POLICE ALERTED EVERYWHERE! THE LOOT IS STILL IN METROPOLIS-- BUT WHERE?
IT'S INCREDIBLE... COULD WE HAVE LEFT OUT ANY POSSIBLE HIDING PLACE?
MAYBE WE HAVE, SUPERMAN... THE ONE PLACE WE DIDN'T THINK OF-- THE MUSEUM ITSELF!
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JIMMY X-RAYS EVERY ROOM OF THE MUSEUM-- TILL FINALLY...
THERE! THE GOLD IDOL IS HIDDEN UNDER A TARPAULIN, AMONG THAT STORAGE ROOM STOCK!
STORAGE ROOM FOR EXTRA STOCK
AND INSIDE...
THEY MERELY LUGGED IT DOWN HERE, WHERE NO ONE WOULD BE LIKELY TO LOOK FOR WEEKS! ONCE THE HEAT WAS OFF, THEY COULD COME AND QUIETLY SPIRIT IT AWAY!
MY X-RAYS SHOW A CLUE ALSO... A RED HAIR THAT MUST'VE DRIFTED INTO THE IDOL'S MOUTH!
THAT POINTS TO "RED" REDDING, CRIME CHIEF! I WON'T NEED YOUR X-RAY VISION TO FIND HIM, JIMMY! HOW CAN I MISS HIS HEAD OF HAIR?
BUT TO SUPERMAN'S SURPRISE, AFTER A SUPER-SWIFT TOUR OF THE UNDERWORLD HAUNTS...
FUNNY... NO SIGN OF "RED" REDDING ANY-WHERE! DID HE GET TIPPED OFF THAT THE LOOT WAS FOUND, AND SKIP TOWN?
ELSEWHERE, JIMMY HAS HIS OWN IDEAS...
IF MY HUNCH IS RIGHT, ONLY MY X-RAYS CAN SPOT THAT CROOK! AH... THAT MAN COMING IS IN DISGUISE! FALSE BEARD-- FAKE PUTTY NOSE...
POOL
ROOMS
... AND A BLACK WIG OVER YOUR RED HAIR, "RED" REDDING!
YIPES! EXPOSED ME, EH? WELL, I'LL FIX YOU, KID-- WITH MY GUN!

HASTILY, JIMMY SENDS OUT AN S.O.S....
THE SECRET ULTRASONIC SIGNAL IN MY WRISTWATCH WILL BRING SUPERMAN HERE IN A FEW SECONDS.. BUT THIS CROOK'S ABOUT TO FIRE!
ZEE ZEE EEE ZEE EEE
HA, HA... EAT LEAD, KID!
DON'T BE TOO SURE, MISTER...
BANG!
AND WHEN SUPERMAN ARRIVES, MOMENTS LATER...
BUT I--I EMPTIED MY GUN STRAIGHT AT HIM! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BULLETS?
THEY NEVER HIT ME, PAL...
"X-RAYS CAN'T PENETRATE LEAD-- BUT THEIR HEAT CAN MELT IT LIKE ANY OTHER METAL! SO, I SIMPLY USED MY X-RAY BEAM, AND..."
HA, HA-- THAT MELTS AND VAPORIZES THEM IN MID-AIR, BEFORE THEY REACH ME! THE LEAD FUMES ARE STINGING MY EYES-- BUT WHAT DOES THAT MATTER?
BANG! BANG!
BANG!
NOW I'LL MELT HIS GUN SO YOU CAN FORM HANDCUFFS, SUPERMAN, AND... HEY! MY X-RAY BEAM IS... IS GONE!
HMM... THOSE LEAD FUMES IN YOUR EYES MUST HAVE NEUTRALIZED THE X-RAY DUST, RETURNING YOUR OPTIC NERVES TO NORMAL! YOU "CURED" YOURSELF, JIMMY!
WHAT A RELIEF! NOW THAT THERE'S NO MORE DANGER OF EXPLOSION, I CAN USE MY OWN X-RAYS AGAIN!
AND I'M FREE OF MY "CURSE"! WHEW!
AND SO, LATER, JIMMY FOR ONCE DOESN'T ADD A SOUVENIR TO HIS FABULOUS SUPERMAN COLLECTION...
I'M GETTING RID OF THIS ONE SO IT WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN! ONLY SUPERMAN CAN HANDLE X-RAY VISION... FOR ME IT WAS STRICTLY A DOG'S LIFE!
THE END

JERRY
THE JITTERBUG
WHEW! WHAT A TOUGH EXAM THAT WAS!
AFTER STUDYING LAST NIGHT TILL TWELVE O'CLOCK, I DON'T WANT TO LOOK AT A BOOK FOR A LONG TIME!
I'D LIKE TO GO OUT TONIGHT AND RELAX! THEY GOT SOME NEW DANCE RECORDS DOWN AT THE JUKE JOINT!
JEEPERS-THERE'S LOIS--I'LL DATE HER!
THAT NIGHT..
HELLO, LOIS-ALL SET FOR SOME FANCY STEPPING?
IMPOSSIBLE, JERRY! I'VE GOT AN EXAM TOMORROW, AND I THOUGHT YOU'D HELP ME STUDY!
THE END

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FEARLESS FOSDICK
by AL CAPP
IF YOUSE CAN LICK OUR-CHUCKIE!-NEW MEMBER, TH' WHOLE GANG WILL SURRENDER, FOSDICK!!
CRIME A.C.
OUCH!!-MY SHREWD LEGAL SENSE TELLS ME THIS FIGHT IS-GULP!!-NOT ENTIRELY FAIR!!-BUT--
-NEAT HAIR, (WITH WILDROOT CREAM-OIL) GIVES ME CONFIDENCE!!
WILDROOT CREAM-OIL
CONTAINS NATURE'S LANOLIN!!-RELIEVES DRYNESS!!-REMOVES LOOSE-UGH!! DANDRUFF!!-GET WILDROOT CREAM-OIL CHARLIE!!
BUT, DAT WOULD BE ILLEGAL-MY NAME IS ARTHUR!!
ONLY CREAM-OIL GROOMS AND CONDITIONS HAIR THE NATURAL WAY

Binky in "HEALTHY TEETH for YOU and YOUR PET!"

GEE, DOC, THANKS. I'M GLAD BINKY TALKED ME INTO COMING HERE. SPORT SURE WAS MISERABLE WITH THAT BAD TOOTH!
YOU'RE WELCOME, ALLERGY. BUT HELP IN AN EMERGENCY IS ONLY HALF MY JOB. HERE ARE SOME RULES TO PREVENT FUTURE TROUBLE ...
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"THE RULES FOR HEALTHY TEETH FOR SPORT ARE ABOUT THE SAME AS FOR YOUR OWN. FIRST, EAT A BALANCED DIET."
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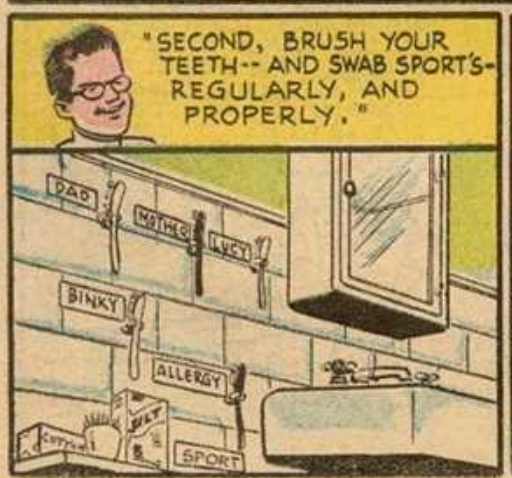

"THIRD, JUST AS YOU GO TO YOUR DENTIST TWICE A YEAR TO HAVE YOUR TEETH CLEANED, BRING SPORT TO ME TO HAVE HIS TEETH SCRAPED CLEAN OF TARTAR."

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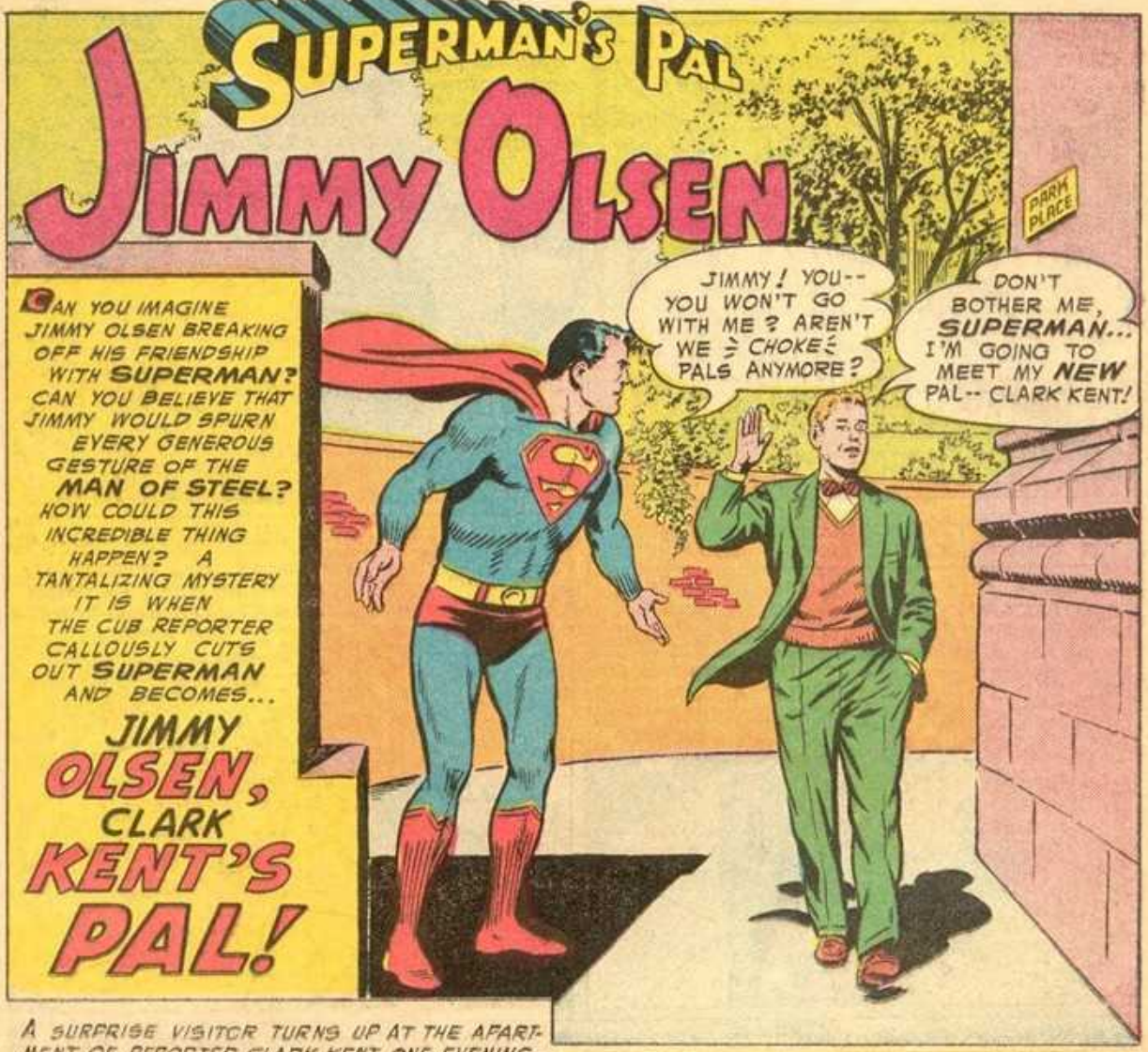

PARK PLACE
JIMMY! YOU-- YOU WON'T GO WITH ME? AREN'T WE } CHOKE { PALS ANYMORE?
DON'T BOTHER ME, SUPERMAN... I'M GOING TO MEET MY NEW PAL-- CLARK KENT!

CAN YOU IMAGINE JIMMY OLSEN BREAKING OFF HIS FRIENDSHIP WITH **SUPERMAN**? CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT JIMMY WOULD SPURN EVERY GENEROUS GESTURE OF THE **MAN OF STEEL**? HOW COULD THIS INCREDIBLE THING HAPPEN? A TANTALIZING MYSTERY IT IS WHEN THE CUB REPORTER CALLOUSLY CUTS OUT **SUPERMAN** AND BECOMES...

JIMMY OLSEN, CLARK KENT'S PAL!

A SURPRISE VISITOR TURNS UP AT THE APARTMENT OF REPORTER CLARK KENT ONE EVENING...

HI, CLARK! THEY'RE REPAIRING THE BUILDING WHERE I LIVE, AND ALL TENANTS WERE ASKED TO SLEEP ELSEWHERE! CAN YOU PUT ME UP FOR A FEW DAYS?
WHY... ER... SURE, JIMMY!

BUT THE ARRIVAL OF JIMMY OLSEN QUICKLY CREATES A PROBLEM FOR THE MILD-MANNERED NEWSMAN...

I'LL PUT MY THINGS IN THE CLOSET!
OH, OH... MY SUPERMAN COSTUME IS HANGING IN THERE! I'LL FUSE THE LOCK WITH THE HEAT OF MY X-RAY VISION!

FUNNY... I CAN'T GET IT OPEN, CLARK!
JAMMED, EH? WELL, I'LL HAVE THE JANITOR FIX IT TOMORROW! MEANWHILE, HANG YOUR CLOTHES IN HERE!

AFTER THEY RETIRE, JIMMY BECOMES ANOTHER KIND OF PROBLEM...
MUMBLE... AH, BIG SCOOP!... MUMBLE, MUMBLE!
OH, NO! HE TALKS IN HIS SLEEP, TOO! SOMETHING TELLS ME I'M IN FOR A BAD TIME WHILE JIMMY BUNKS HERE!

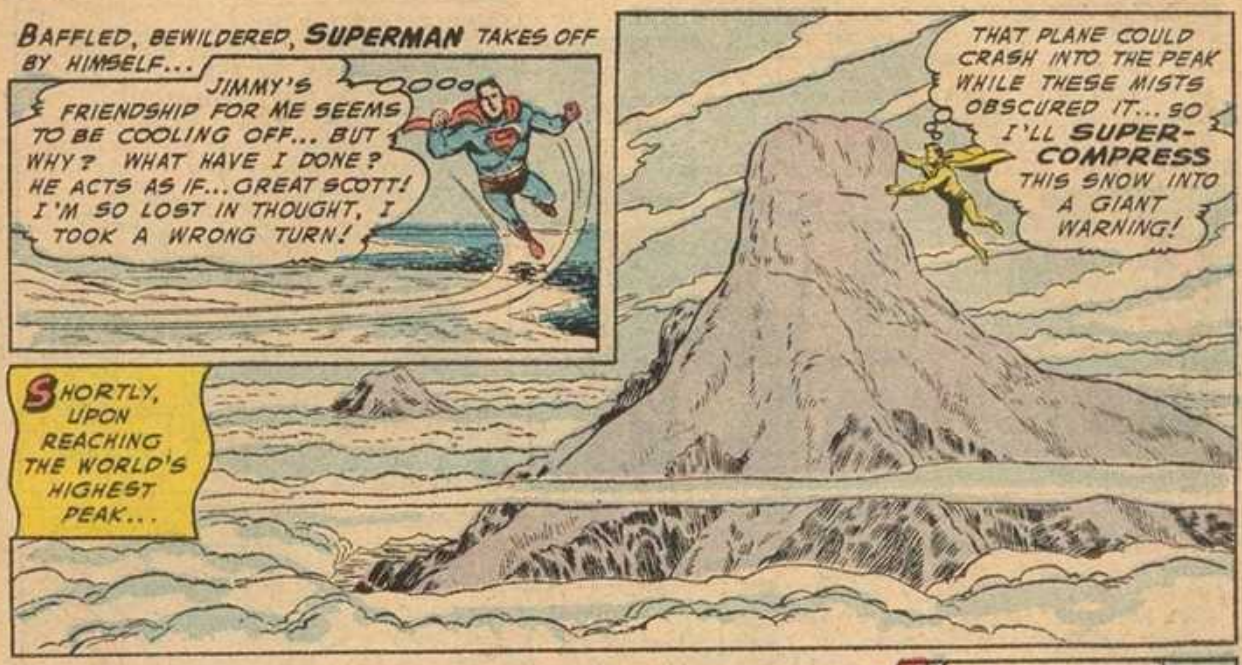
YOU'RE SO RIGHT, CLARK--FOR THE FOLLOWING MORNING, ON THE WAY TO WORK...
YOU KNOW, I LIKE YOU A LOT, CLARK, EVEN IF YOU ARE THE QUIET TYPE--THE OPPOSITE OF SUPERMAN!
I GUESS I AM... ER... DIFFERENT FROM SUPERMAN!
JIMMY SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN A SUDDEN SHINE FOR ME! WELL, IT'LL PASS QUICKLY!

LATER, IN THE DAILY PLANET OFFICE...
JIMMY WILL FORGET ALL ABOUT ME WHEN HE SEES THIS NOTE FROM SUPERMAN ON HIS DESK!
Jimmy— Want to take a flying trip with me to Mt. Everest? I must be on hand when a plane takes pictures there.
Superman

GUESS AGAIN, CLARK...
PAH! I'M TIRED OF BEING DRAGGED ALL OVER BY SUPERMAN! I'M NOT GOING!
WHAT--? THIS IS MORE SERIOUS THAN I THOUGHT! WHY IS JIMMY ACTING SO INDIFFERENT TOWARD HIS BEST FRIEND?

SEEKING SECLUSION, CLARK KENT CHANGES INTO A PUZZLED SUPERMAN...
I--I CAN'T UNDERSTAND JIMMY'S ODD BEHAVIOR! IS HE PEEVED AT ME FOR SOME REASON? I'LL INVITE HIM ALONG IN PERSON... THAT SHOULD DO IT!

BUT WHEN THE MAN OF STEEL MAKES HIS PITCH...
HI, JIMMY! READY TO FLY TO MOUNT EVEREST WITH ME?
NAW--I'M BUSY, SUPERMAN! HAVE TO... ER... CLEAN OUT MY DESK!


BAFFLED, BEWILDERED, SUPERMAN TAKES OFF BY HIMSELF...
JIMMY'S FRIENDSHIP FOR ME SEEMS TO BE COOLING OFF... BUT WHY? WHAT HAVE I DONE? HE ACTS AS IF... GREAT SCOTT! I'M SO LOST IN THOUGHT, I TOOK A WRONG TURN!
THAT PLANE COULD CRASH INTO THE PEAK WHILE THESE MISTS OBSCURED IT... SO I'LL SUPER-COMPRESS THIS SNOW INTO A GIANT WARNING!
SHORTLY, UPON REACHING THE WORLD'S HIGHEST PEAK...

SURE ENOUGH, WITH A SUPER-SIGNPOST TO GUIDE THE PILOT...
TIP OF MOUNT EVEREST
WE MIGHT HAVE CRASHED IF IT WEREN'T FOR SUPERMAN'S WARNING! IT'S ALWAYS DANGEROUS FLYING AROUND THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN ON EARTH!

RETURNING TO METROPOLIS, SUPERMAN RESUMES HIS EVERYDAY IDENTITY, AND...
WELL?... AREN'T YOU SORRY YOU DIDN'T GO ALONG WITH SUPERMAN?
WHY SHOULD I BE SORRY? I'VE SEEN HIM USE HIS SUPER-POWERS DOZENS OF TIMES! I'D RATHER READ A GOOD BOOK ANYTIME!
CAN JIMMY REALLY MEAN WHAT HE'S SAYING? IT CERTAINLY SEEMS THAT WAY AS HE JOINS CLARK ON AN ASSIGNMENT...
HOPE YOU DON'T MIND MY COMING ALONG, CLARK! I CAN LEARN A LOT FROM AN ACE REPORTER LIKE YOU! WE'LL COVER EVERYTHING TOGETHER, FROM NOW ON!
THIS IS INCREDIBLE... I'VE ACTUALLY BECOME MY OWN RIVAL FOR JIMMY'S FRIENDSHIP!
EXHIBIT OF NEW INVENTIONS

BUT IT IS NOT ENVY ALONE THAT BOTHERS CLARK-- FOR WHEN THEY RETURN HOME FROM WORK...
GEE, THESE QUIET EVENINGS WITH YOU ARE SUPER, CLARK! MAYBE I'LL MOVE IN PERMANENTLY!
OH, NO! IF HE STAYS HERE FOR GOOD, I'LL BE ON THE SPOT WHENEVER I HAVE TO MAKE SUDDEN CHANGES TO SUPERMAN!
AND RIGHT NOW, MY TELESCOPIC VISION SHOWS A BAD FIRE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF TOWN! I'LL HAVE TO SLIP AWAY WITHOUT AROUSING JIMMY'S SUSPICIONS...
ER... GUESS I'LL GO TAKE A BATH, JIMMY!
MOMENTS LATER...
A SUPER-STIRRING WILL KEEP THE BATHWATER SPLASHING LOUDLY WHILE I'M GONE! JIMMY WILL THINK CLARK'S BEEN HERE ALL THE TIME!
SPLASH! SPLASH
SOON, AT THE FIRE SUPERMAN SWIFTLY MAKES HIS OWN UNIQUE FIRE EXTINGUISHER...
FOAM CHOKES OFF FIRE FASTER THAN PLAIN WATER, SO I'LL BLOW "SOAP BUBBLES" BY THE MILLION, SMOTHERING THE FLAMES!
JASON SOAP CO.
LATER, WHEN CLARK KENT RE-APPEARS BEFORE HIS TROUBLE-SOME NEW ROOMMATE...
AH, NOTHING LIKE A RE-LAXING BATH BEFORE BEDTIME!
THAT COVERED ME THIS TIME... BUT WHAT ABOUT THE NEXT TIME--AND THE NEXT? I'LL HAVE TO RACK MY BRAINS WHENEVER SUPERMAN'S NEEDED!
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EVEN IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT...
BEFORE I MAKE MY USUAL CRIME PATROL OVER METROPOLIS, I'LL HAVE TO LEAVE A DUMMY OF CLARK SLEEPING--IN CASE JIMMY WAKES UP!
AND WHILE SUPERMAN PATROLS THE CITY...
LUCKY I CHECKED BACK WITH TELESCOPIC VISION... JIMMY WOKE UP AND ASKED A QUESTION! I CAN MAKE "CLARK" ANSWER, BY MEANS OF SUPER-VENTRILOQUISM...
UH... EH? YES, CLOSE THE WINDOW IF YOU LIKE, JIMMY!
NEXT MORNING...
YOU HAVE SHADOWS UNDER YOUR EYES, CLARK! DIDN'T YOU SLEEP WELL?
HE SHOULD ASK! WORRYING THAT JIMMY MIGHT STUMBLE ON MY SECRET IDENTITY KEEPS ME AWAKE! NO DOUBT ABOUT IT... I MUST DISCOURAGE HIM FROM WANTING TO BE MY CONSTANT PAL!
CLARK'S OPPORTUNITY ARISES ON THE WAY TO WORK...
LOOK, CLARK--A ROBBERY!
AH... I'LL RUN AWAY LIKE A SCARED RABBIT, THEN COME BACK AS SUPERMAN! THAT'LL MAKE JIMMY REALIZE WHAT A "TIMID WEAKLING" HIS NEW PAL IS!
HELP! HELP!
JEWELR
BUT BEFORE CLARK CAN FIND COVER, THE GETAWAY CAR ROARS BY, AND...
JIMMY'S IN DANGER! I'LL HAVE TO RUSH BACK AND TAKE THE BULLETS MYSELF!
PLUG THAT WITNESS!
BANG
I'LL TURN MY BODY SO THAT ONE DEFLECTED BULLET PUNCTURES A TIRE, STOPPING THEIR GETAWAY! BUT--BUT DID THIS GIVE AWAY MY SECRET TO JIMMY?
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GOSH, CLARK--FOR A MOMENT I THOUGHT THE BULLETS WERE BOUNCING OFF YOU, BUT, OF COURSE, THEY ONLY HIT THIS LAMP-POST!
WHEW! LUCKY THAT FURNISHED MY "ALIBI"! ALL'S WELL!
VAN DELIVER
IS IT, CLARK? WHAT ABOUT YOUR ORIGINAL PLAN?...
YIPES! IT ALL BOOMERANGED! JIMMY ADMIRES ME MORE, NOT LESS!
BUT LAMPPOST OR NOT, YOU RAN BACK AND RISKED YOUR LIFE FOR ME, CLARK! WHO SAYS YOU'RE A COWARD? YOU'RE REALLY A BRAVE HERO!

AND GET READY FOR ANOTHER SHOCK, CLARK, WHEN EDITOR PERRY WHITE OFFERS JIMMY A CHOICE OF ASSIGN-MENTS LATER THAT DAY...
JIMMY, YOU CAN EITHER COVER SUPERMAN WRECKING A CONDEMNED STATUE--OR JOIN CLARK COVERING A HOCKEY GAME! HA, HA-- AS IF YOU'D EVER SKIP A CHANCE TO SEE YOUR PAL SUPERMAN IN ACTION!
AW, WHO WANTS TO SEE SUPERMAN SHOW OFF? I'LL GO WITH CLARK AND REALLY ENJOY MY-SELF!
GREAT CAESAR'S GHOST! ARE YOU ILL, JIMMY? IS YOUR FRIENDSHIP WITH SUPERMAN GOING SOUR? I--I CAN'T BELIEVE MY EARS!

NEITHER CAN CLARK, AS HE AND JIMMY ARRIVE AT THE HOCKEY GAME...
BETWEEN SUPERMAN AND YOU, WHAT OTHER CHOICE WAS THERE, CLARK? AFTER ALL, WE'RE PALS NOW!
JIMMY HAS COMPLETELY SWITCHED HIS LOYALTY TO ME! BUT THE TROUBLE IS, I'VE GOT TO "DISAPPEAR" NOW, TO DO MY OTHER JOB!
I'LL SIT DOWN HARD, GIVING THE SEAT A SUPER-SHOCK TO MAKE IT COLLAPSE! THE USHER WILL HAVE TO GIVE ME A DIFFERENT SEAT NOW!
CRUNCH

WE HAVE AN EMPTY SEAT IN SECTION C, SIR... FOLLOW ME!
TOO BAD WE CAN'T SIT TOGETHER, JIMMY! WELL, SEE YOU AFTER THE GAME!
I CAN SLIP AWAY FROM THE STADIUM NOW, WITHOUT JIMMY NOTICING!
USHER

THUS, SUPERMAN MEETS HIS COMMITMENT...
HEY, WHERE'S YOUR PAL JIMMY, SUPERMAN? HE USED TO FOLLOW YOU ALL OVER TOWN!
YES ≠GULP≠ BUT NOT ANYMORE...
DANGER CONDEMNED

EVEN OTHERS NOTICE OUR FRIENDSHIP GOING ON THE ROCKS! IT'S GETTING AROUND TOWN ≠CHOKE≠ THAT JIMMY IS SEEN EVERYWHERE WITH CLARK KENT-- NOT ME!
CITY DUMP

SOMEONE ELSE IS EQUALLY DISMAYED AT THE NEWS -- ONE "SAFETY" STONE, UNDERWORLD CHIEF...
BLAST IT! JUST WHEN WE WERE READY TO GRAB JIMMY OLSEN, AS A "HOSTAGE" AGAINST SUPERMAN, THIS HAS TO HAPPEN!
PLANET
GOSSIP ABOUT METROPOLIS
IS JIMMY OLSEN SNUBBING SUPERMAN? IS IT TRUE THEIR GREAT FRIENDSHIP HAS GONE PFFFFFT?

WE FIGURED SUPERMAN WOULD LAY OFF US IF HIS PAL JIMMY WAS IN OUR HANDS! NOW WE GOTTA PULL THE JOB WE PLANNED TONIGHT, WITHOUT THAT "SAFETY PLAY"! I WAS ROBBED!

WHEN THEY STRIKE THAT NIGHT, HOW IS IT THAT JIMMY IS ON HAND?
ACME DIAMOND VAULT
HERE THEY COME! BEFORE THEY LOOT THE VAULT, I'LL SET OFF THE SUPERMAN SIGNAL IN MY WRISTWATCH AND... OMGOSH! IT'S OUT OF ORDER!

HEY-- GRAB THAT LITTLE SNOOPER!
ACME DIAMOND VAULT
I-- I CAN'T CALL SUPERMAN, AS I PLANNED... AND HE DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS CRIME JOB AT ALL!
BUT AT THAT MOMENT, TO JIMMY'S SURPRISE...
YES, JIMMY! AND I'M STILL GOING TO SAVE YOU LIKE A PAL-- EVEN IF WE'RE NOT PALS ANYMORE!
SUPERMAN!
ACME DIAMOND VAULT
BUT WE ARE PALS, SUPERMAN... NOW I CAN EXPLAIN! YOU SEE, LAST WEEK, WHEN I SNOOPED AROUND IN DISGUISE, LOOKING FOR ANY CRIME LEAD, I OVERHEARD A REVEALING CONVERSATION...
GET IT? WE NAB THE OLSEN KID AS A "SAFETY PLAY," TO STOP SUPERMAN BEFORE WE PULL THE ACME DIAMOND VAULT JOB!
HEY--THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT SUPERMAN AND ME!
I AM BLIND AND DEAF
SUPERMAN WON'T DARE MEDDLE IF WE NOTIFY HIM HIS BOY PAL, JIMMY OLSEN, MIGHT GET HURT!
GULP! THEY'RE PLANNING TO HOLD ME AS A THREAT OVER SUPERMAN! WH-WHAT'LL I DO?
CIGARS
I DIDN'T TELL YOU, SUPERMAN, BECAUSE YOU'D HAVE INSISTED ON GUARDING ME DAY AND NIGHT, UPSETTING YOUR OTHER DUTIES! THEN, AN INSPIRATION HIT ME... THEIR PLAN WOULD BE RUINED IF I WASN'T YOUR PAL!
YOU DID IT ALL FOR MY SAKE, JIMMY! YOU'RE MY SUPER PAL!
AND SO, FINALLY, AT THE OFFICE...
GOSH, CLARK, WHAT A LUCKY COINCIDENCE IT WAS THAT SUPERMAN TRACKED DOWN "SAFETY" STONE, JUST WHEN I WAS IN DANGER! I DIDN'T TELL SUPERMAN OF HIS CRIME PLAN, YOU KNOW!
YES YOU DID, JIMMY, WITHOUT KNOWING IT! THE NIGHT BEFORE, YOU TALKED IN YOUR SLEEP AGAIN!
THE END.

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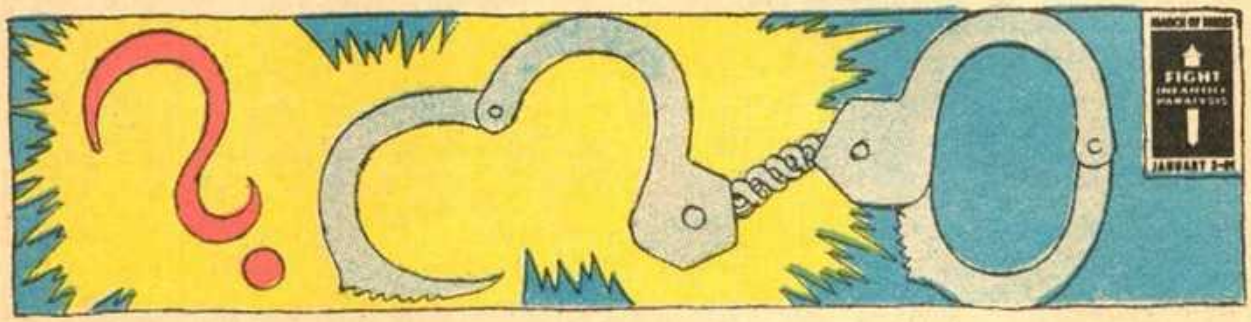
PEG, WAIT UP!
HENRY BOLTINOFF
LOOK AT THIS BEAUTIFUL BOX OF HANKIES I GOT FROM MY BOY FRIEND TED FOR MY BIRTHDAY!
BUT I THOUGHT YOUR BIRTHDAY WAS IN JUNE!
IT IS! BUT HE'S VERY FORGETFUL--
SO I REMIND HIM OF IT IN JANUARY AND JUNE, AND GET TWO PRESENTS!
END

How Houdini Performed His Tricks



Revealing Some of the Secrets Which Made Him The Greatest Magician of His Time

IN explaining how the great Houdini performed his amazing tricks and escapes, the reader will note that almost in all cases, Houdini used certain equipment that was so expensive that only a professional could possibly afford them.

The reader will not be able to afford them, and, therefore, will not be able to duplicate them. However, these same stunts are still being performed by magicians everywhere and we feel sure that your pleasure will be heightened when seeing them performed if you yourself know how they are done.

One of Houdini's most startling stunts was to free himself from a pair of handcuffs while inside a cabinet. Houdini usually called on a local police official to supply him with a regulation pair of handcuffs so that he would not be accused of using a pair that contained a secret unlocking device.

As a rule, Houdini requested the officer to put the handcuffs on his wrists. Then, he would step into the cabinet, and presto! In seconds, he would emerge holding the handcuffs in one hand! The police officer would usually wipe his brow, and with a sincere sigh of relief, remark that it was sure a lucky thing that most convicts did not possess Houdini's powers.

Can you guess how Houdini removed the handcuffs? Like most of the magician's tricks, the answer is simple. You see, most handcuffs are made alike, and all of one pattern can be unlocked by a standard key.

Houdini owned keys which fitted all possible patterns. But because the locks of all handcuffs cannot be reached when the hands are bound, Houdini had special keys made, all with extension rods.

These keys were kept in a special pocket built inside of his jacket. At other times, he kept the keys inside the cabinet, enabling him to submit to a search by the local police officer.

Another startling escape that puzzled audiences throughout the country was from a cabinet into which Houdini had been placed after being tied with heavy ropes. Here again, it was the specially-built cabinet which enabled him to perform the act.

Houdini worked this one by asking a number of people from the audience to bind him securely. On-stage, the long length of rope was bound round the magician, with every one having a chance to make a tight knot. It was not unusual for the rope to contain twenty or thirty knots.

The committee on the stage was then invited to examine the inside of the cabinet. They did so, testing for trap doors in the cabinet's floor, and secret panels in the walls. Finally, they emerged, agreeing that the cabinet was solid and contained no knives or other devices that Houdini could use to free himself.

Next, two burly stagehands walked onto the stage and, lifting Houdini off his feet, carried him into the cabinet and closed the door.

You can imagine the gasp of astonishment as the magician, in less than half a minute, suddenly opened the door and flung the pieces of rope out over the audience.

It was a remarkable stunt; but the secret of how it was done was just as remarkably simple. And the secret was in what Houdini called his "*platform cabinet.*" This cabinet consisted of four upright posts supporting a solid top, mounted on a wooden platform. Houdini's assistant was concealed in the top, and was a very small man so he could fit in the small space.

The moment Houdini was placed inside the cabinet, his small assistant simply reached a knife down through a special opening and cut the ropes. The top part was built high enough to discourage inspection. The only possible danger of discovery was if some suspicious member of the audience wished to climb one of the metal rods to the top. Houdini took care of this by having the rods lightly greased.

Houdini's next best-known trick was to take a long length of rope into the cabinet. Moments later the door was opened and he was found tightly bound to a chair. But if you think he performed this by having an assistant tie him up, you are mistaken; for not even the most agile person could tie another up so completely in a matter of seconds.

Houdini performed this amazing illusion by the use of a duplicate rope, which was already tied. There was a loop at the center, just large enough to encompass both legs above the knees. Above this already-made knot was a smaller loop just large enough for both wrists, and tied with solid knots made tight with short wire nails buried in the rope. Since these were so tight that no one could untie them, their genuineness was not doubted.

Once in the cabinet, Houdini substituted the length of rope for the one already tied. He put his feet through the lower loop, with the slip knot clear up to the solid knots. Then he drew the large loop up to the knees. The small loop was then opened for his wrists. The whole rope was then drawn up well above the knees, and the higher it went, the tighter it became.

Once securely bound in this matter —and with the original rope hidden away in a special compartment—the committee was called to open the door.

The above were some of Houdini's best known tricks, but there were dozens of others that amazed audiences everywhere.

—*John E. Maxon*

SUPERMAN'S PAL JIMMY OLSEN

CAN YOU PICTURE JIMMY OLSEN, CUB REPORTER FOR THE **DAILY PLANET**, AS A PRIZEFIGHTER? YET, IT HAPPENS ONE AMAZING DAY WHEN JIMMY DISCARDS HIS TYPEWRITER FOR A PAIR OF GLOVES AND SEEKS PUGILISTIC GLORY! BUT **SUPERMAN** FINDS THAT HIS YOUNG CHUM IS REALLY BEING TAKEN FOR A **CHUMP** WHEN HE BECOMES...

T.N.T. OLSEN, THE CHAMP!

GREAT SCOTT! IS JIMMY REALLY LIVING UP TO HIS NEW NAME-- **T.N.T. OLSEN?**

ONE DAY, AS LOIS LANE AND JIMMY OLSEN HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER, AN ARROGANT STRANGER CAUSES TROUBLE...

LISTEN, YOU! STOP ANNOYING LOIS LANE!

OUT OF MY WAY, PIPSQUEAK! I WAS ONLY ASKING THE BABE FOR A DATE!

BRAVELY, JIMMY OLSEN LASHES OUT, AND AMAZINGLY...

SMACK

HA, HA! YOU COULDN'T FLATTEN A SICK FLY-- YI-I-I-I-I!

GOSH! I--I DIDN'T KNOW I COULD HIT **THAT** HARD!

HE'S OUT COLD! HOW DID YOU EVER DO IT, JIMMY?
WHY, I GUESS I JUST NEVER KNEW MY OWN STRENGTH BEFORE!
BUT THE SECRET OF JIMMY'S "KNOCKOUT" IS KNOWN TO "PUGS" ORTEN...
THE BIG GUY REALLY SLIPPED ON A BANANA PEEL--JUST AS THE KID SWUNG! HMM...THAT'S THE WELL-KNOWN JIMMY OLSEN, SUPERMAN'S PAL, EH? AND SUPERMAN'S OUT OF TOWN!
WOW! I'VE GOT A GREAT IDEA HOW TO CLEAN UP WITH THIS! LISTEN, PUNCHY, YOU RUSH OVER AND... BZZZ... ZZZ... ZZZ!
HUH? I DON'T GET IT, BUT ANYTHING YOU SAY, BOSS!
FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS...
YOU CAN'T SOCK MY PAL LIKE THAT! PUT UP YOUR DUKES!
WHUD
GOLLY! I--I DID IT AGAIN!
I TOOK A "DIVE"--LIKE THE BOSS SAID, PRETENDING I WAS KNOCKED COLD! HIS TAP DIDN'T HURT ME AT ALL!
I'M PUGS ORTON, MANAGER OF BOXING CHAMPS! WHY, YOU HAVE DYNAMITE IN YOUR FISTS, JIMMY! UNDER MY MANAGEMENT, YOU CAN MAKE RING HISTORY!
YOU MEAN TAKE UP PRIZEFIGHTING? BUT I HAVE A GOOD JOB AS A CUB REPORTER...
YOU CAN TRAIN IN YOUR SPARE TIME! REPORT TO MY GYM ON OAK ST. AFTER WORK! I'LL MAKE YOU A FIGHT CHAMP--THE GREAT "T.N.T. OLSEN!"

BEWARE, JIMMY! YOU ARE BEING DUPED BY AN UNSCRUPULOUS SCHEMER!
HE'LL BITE! HA, HA! WE'LL BUILD UP "T.N.T. OLSEN" TO A BIG CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH, FOOLING EVERYONE INTO THINKING HE'S GREAT!
I GET IT, BOSS--THEN WE'LL CASH IN BY BETTING HE LOSES! HA, HA!
LATER, AT THE OFFICE, AS JIMMY MULLS OVER THE DAZZLING OFFER...
GOING TO TRY A BOXING CAREER ON THE SIDE, JIMMY?
JEEPERS, I DON'T KNOW, LOIS! I WISH I COULD ASK SUPERMAN'S ADVICE, BUT HE'S ON AN IMPORTANT JOB THAT MAY KEEP HIM OUT OF TOWN QUITE A WHILE!
FAR OFF, SUPERMAN IS ON EMERGENCY GUARD DUTY, UNAWARE OF JIMMY'S PROBLEM...
I CAN'T LEAVE FOR ONE SECOND, WHILE THOSE SCIENTISTS REPAIR THAT ATOMIC PILE! IF IT THREATENS TO BLOW UP, I'LL HAVE TO ACT FAST TO SAVE THEIR LIVES!
MEANWHILE, JIMMY MAKES UP HIS OWN MIND AND REPORTS TO THE GYM AFTER WORK...
I'LL TRY IT, MR. ORTON! BUT MAYBE MY PUNCHES BEFORE WERE JUST LUCKY FLUKES!
WE'LL SOON FIND OUT! TRY THE PUNCHING BAG!
WOW! I KNOCKED IT LOOSE, CLEAR ACROSS THE GYM!
WHAM
TERRIFIC! THAT PROVES YOU'RE STRONG AS A BULL, JIMMY!
HA, HA-- WE FILED THE LINKS IN THE CHAIN BEFORE, SO THAT IT WOULD BREAK AT THE LEAST TAP!
SOON, DURING SPARRING PRACTICE...
OMIGOSH! DID A--A MULE KICK ME? GHAAAAAAAA
THE BOSS TOLD ME TO HIT THE CANVAS AND PRETEND I WAS KNOCKED OUT!
ONE BLOW FLATTENED HIM! MAYBE YOU'D BETTER BRING ON SOME TOUGHER MEN, MR. ORTON!
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IN THE FOLLOWING DAYS, PUG ORTON KEEPS THE GREAT DECEPTION GOING...
THEY'RE ALL TAKING "DIVES"! REPORTERS WHO WATCH JIMMY TRAINING ARE ALSO CONVINCED HE'S A TERROR OF THE RING!
DAILY PLANET
Sports FINAL
T.N.T. OLSEN CHAMPIONSHIP CALIBRE
IT'S HARDLY ANY WONDER THAT JIMMY SOON TAKES TO SWAGGERING DOWN THE STREET!
HEY, YOU BUMPED INTO ME-- I'LL KNOCK YOUR BLOCK OFF... YIPES! IT--IT'S T.N.T. OLSEN! PL-PL-PLEASE DON'T H-H-HIT ME!
OKAY, I'LL LET YOU GO-- SCRAM!
TAX STAN
BUT JIMMY'S SWELLED HEAD GETS HIM INTO TROUBLE WHEN...
CALLING ALL CARS! GORILLA ESCAPED FROM ZOO--PROWLING THROUGH PARK-- CAPTURE HIM!
SUPERMAN'S OUT OF TOWN, BUT I'LL HANDLE THIS! BEFORE THAT GORILLA HURTS SOMEONE, I'LL FIND HIM AND KNOCK HIM OUT!
PUGS ORTON IS DISCONCERTED FOR A MOMENT...
THAT FOOL KID COULDN'T STOP A FLEA, MUCH LESS A GORILLA! HE WON'T COME BACK ALIVE, UNLESS... HMM! IF I MOVE FAST, MAYBE I CAN TURN THIS INTO A SENSATIONAL PUBLICITY STUNT FOR "T.N.T. OLSEN"!
STOP, JIMMY!
STAR
LOOK OUT, JIMMY! YOU CAN'T SUBDUE A HUGE GORILLA MORE POWERFUL THAN TEN MEN! ER... ARE WE WRONG?
I'LL GIVE HIM MY "ATOMIC PUNCH" THAT KNOCKED MY SPARRING PARTNERS FOR A LOOP! TAKE THAT, MY FEROCIOUS FRIEND!
BLAMM
CRRRR
ARGHH
4

THE MIGHTY BEAST FALLS! BUT HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE?
...NINE... TEN... YOU'RE OUT!
T.N.T. OLSEN DID IT-- WHAT A CHAMP!
THE TRUE ANSWER LIES WITH PUGS ORTON, WHO SECRETLY ARRIVED BEFORE WITH A SPECIAL GUN...
LUCKY I REMEMBERED THIS, IN MY GUN COLLECTION! IT'S USED TO CAPTURE WILD ANIMALS ALIVE FOR ZOOS, AND SHOOTS OUT NEEDLES THAT...
ONE JAB OF HIS SKIN AND THE POWERFUL AN-ESTHETIC ON THE NEEDLE'S POINT PUTS THE GORILLA TO SLEEP, JUST AS JIMMY SWINGS!
YAY-Y-Y! T.N.T. OLSEN CAN LICK HIS WEIGHT IN GORILLAS!
AH! PERFECT PUBLICITY FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT I'M PROMOTING WITH "GORILLA" GORDON! I'LL MAKE JIMMY SIGN AN IRONCLAD CONTRACT NOW!
SOON...
SUPER DUPER! I'M SIGNING FOR MY FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT!
AND HIS LAST! "GORILLA" GORDON WILL MURDER HIM! BUT EVERYBODY WILL BET ON T.N.T. OLSEN TO WIN--WHILE I SECRETLY COVER ALL BETS THAT HE'LL LOSE! HA, HA!
CHAMP
MEANWHILE, SUPERMAN'S LONG VIGIL ENDS AT LAST...
THE ATOMIC PILE IS REPAIRED--ALL DANGER IS OVER! THANKS, SUPERMAN!
BACK TO METROPOLIS! I HAVEN'T EVEN READ THE NEWS LATELY!
YOU'RE DUE FOR A SHOCK, SUPERMAN...
WHOA! JIMMY OLSEN-- A PUGILIST!!?? AM I DREAMING? SOMETHING'S FISHY-- I'LL CHECK ON HIS MANAGER!
TONIGHT
T.N.T. OLSEN
GORILLA GORDON
T.N.T. OLSEN VS GORILLA GORDON FOR LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP OF METROPOLIS!
MANAGERS:
• PUGS ORTON FOR T.N.T. OLSEN
• AL SANDERS FOR GORILLA GORDON

OUTSIDE ORTON'S PRIVATE OFFICE, SUPERMAN USES HIS UNCANNY X-RAY VISION AND SUPER-HEARING...
HA, HA! WE FOOLED EVERYONE INTO THINKING T.N.T. OLSEN IS GOOD, BUT WE'LL BET OUR BANKROLL ON JIMMY TO LOSE! GORILLA GORDON WILL KNOCK HIM OUT!
SO THAT'S IT! BUT ORTON WON'T CONFESS IN COURT, UNLESS... HMM! I'LL CHANGE TO CLARK KENT AND PROVE TO JIMMY HE WAS DUPED!
BUT JIMMY ONLY SCOFFS AT CLARK'S WARNING...
AW, WHO SAYS I'M NOT A BIG CHAMP? DIDN'T I KNOCK OUT A GORILLA?
BUT TRY KNOCKING ME OUT, JIMMY! GO AHEAD--HIT ME! I INSIST!
OWW! I ONLY HURT MY HAND!
SEE-- I DIDN'T EVEN FEEL IT!
POOR JIMMY! IF HE ONLY KNEW HE'S HITTING THE STEEL JAW OF THE MAN OF STEEL!
JEEPERS! THEN--THEN ORTON FOOLED ME ALL ALONG! GORILLA GORDON WILL TAKE ME APART IN THE RING TONIGHT! HOW CAN I--I GET OUT OF IT?
YOU CAN'T BREAK YOUR CONTRACT! YOU'LL HAVE TO GO THROUGH WITH THE FIGHT, JIMMY!
IS CLARK (SUPERMAN) KENT DESERTING JIMMY IN HIS HOUR OF NEED?
THAT NIGHT, BEFORE A PACKED HOUSE...
IN WHITE TRUNKS-- T.N.T. OLSEN! IN DARK TRUNKS-- GORILLA GORDON!
MY KNEES ARE... GULP!...KNOCKING TOGETHER! WELL, I'LL FIGHT MY BEST!
THE BELL RINGS FOR ROUND ONE!
HEY! IS GORILLA GORDON AN OCTOPUS WITH EIGHT ARMS? ALL I SEE IS GLOVES EVERYWHERE!
POW
SOK
WHUD
SPLAT
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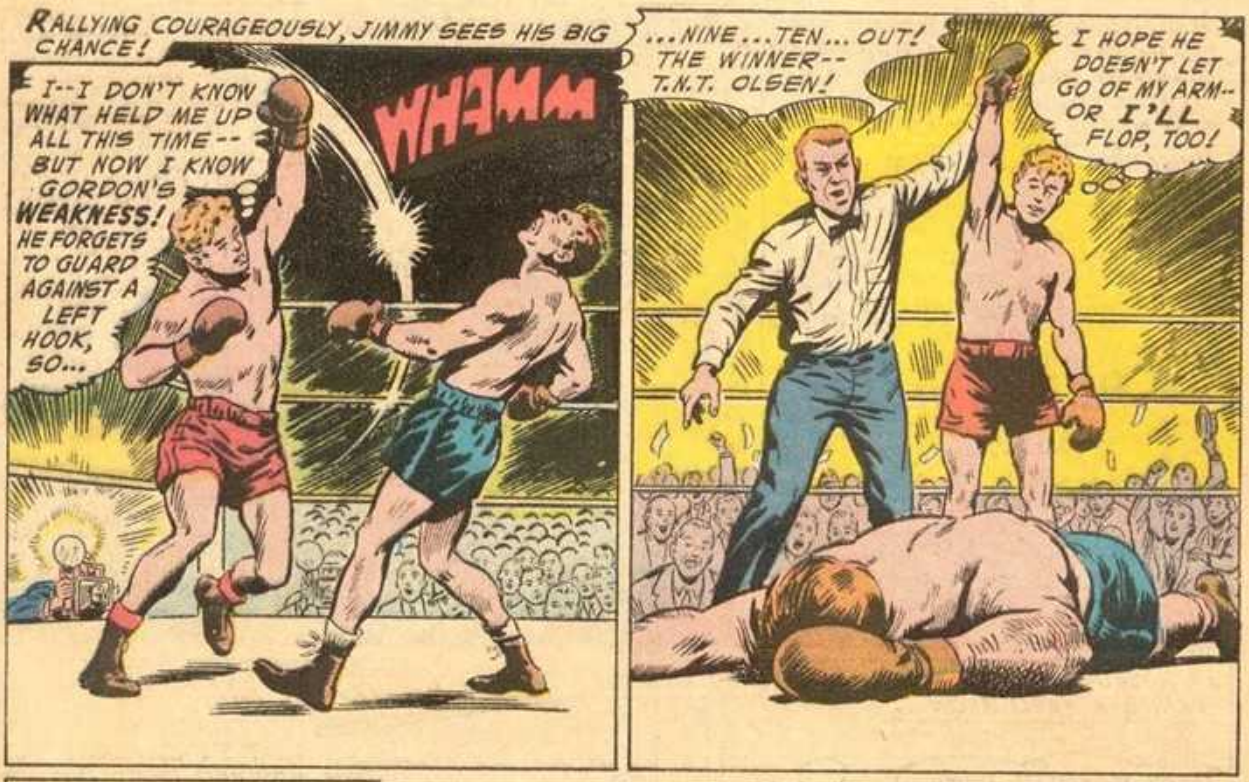
IN A RINGSIDE SEAT AS REPORTER CLARK KENT, HOW CAN SUPERMAN STAND BY WHILE JIMMY TAKES A BEATING, ALLOWING ORTON'S SCHEME TO SUCCEED?
JIMMY WON'T LAST A ROUND-- HA, HA! THEN I REAP THOUSANDS FROM BETTING AGAINST HIM!
POOR JIMMY! IT'S AWFUL!
POW
SPLAT
WHAM
BUT WHAT IS SUPERMAN UP TO NOW?
TIME TO ACT! I PRESSED A PAPER CLIP INTO A STEEL PELLET! THERE IT GOES TO RING THE BELL A FEW SECONDS IN ADVANCE, BEFORE JIMMY GOES DOWN!
CLANG
IN ROUND TWO, AS GORILLA GORDON LANDS A HARD BLOW...
JIMMY WON'T GO DOWN FOR THE COUNT! MY SUPER BREATH WILL HOLD HIM UP TILL HE RECOVERS! THIS ISN'T CHEATING--JUST COUNTER-ACTING ORTON'S PREVIOUS CHEATING!
IN ROUND THREE...
MY X-RAY VISION HEATS UP THE METAL FRAME OF THAT TV CAMERA, SENDING DAZZLING LIGHT INTO GORDON'S EYES, MAKING HIM MISS JIMMY!
IN ROUND FOUR...
WOW! THE MOST EXCITING FIGHT IN YEARS!
THE PAYING CUSTOMERS HAVE HAD ENOUGH FOR THEIR MONEY NOW! NOW IT'S TIME TO END THE AGONY FOR JIMMY! I'LL USE SUPER VIBRATIONS AND-- WAIT! IS JIMMY ENDING THE FIGHT HIMSELF?


RALLYING COURAGEOUSLY, JIMMY SEES HIS BIG CHANCE!
I--I DON'T KNOW WHAT HELD ME UP ALL THIS TIME-- BUT NOW I KNOW GORDON'S WEAKNESS! HE FORGETS TO GUARD AGAINST A LEFT HOOK, SO...
WHAMM
...NINE...TEN... OUT! THE WINNER-- T.N.T. OLSEN!
I HOPE HE DOESN'T LET GO OF MY ARM-- OR I'LL FLOP, TOO!

FACING RUIN, PUGS ORTON TRIES TO SLIP AWAY-- BUT IN SECLUSION, CLARK KENT ALREADY CHANGES TO SUPERMAN!
HOW COULD JIMMY WIN? I--I CAN'T PAY OFF ALL THOSE BETS I LOST! I'LL SKIP TOWN!
I'VE GOT ORTON SPOTTED WITH X-RAY VISION! TIME TO EXPOSE HIM PUBLICLY! HE'LL CONFESS GLADLY NOW-- TO ESCAPE THOSE BETTING DEBTS!
PARK
SOON, IN THE RING...
I--I CONFESS! I HOAXED YOU ALL INTO BELIEVING JIMMY OLSEN WAS A CHAMP!
FOLKS! THAT DISQUALIFIES THE WHOLE MATCH! ALL BETS ARE OFF-- NOBODY WINS OR LOSES! AND ORTON WILL GO TO JAIL FOR FRAUD!
LATER, IN JIMMY'S DRESSING ROOM...
IT TOOK THE COURAGE OF A TRUE CHAMP TO STAY IN THE RING WITH A POWERFUL OPPONENT! I'M PROUD OF YOU, JIMMY!
I WAS MORE CHUMP THAN CHAMP! EXIT "T.N.T. OLSEN" FOREVER! BUT I DON'T CARE-- I'M STILL SUPERMAN'S PAL!
THE END

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